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DEQ employees to receive performance adjustment

BATON ROUGE – The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality announced today that employees will be receiving a four percent performance adjustment, beginning Oct. 1.

In order to fund this performance adjustment, DEQ put in place measures to streamline the department and cut spending. These measures included reducing office space, restructuring and combining functions of the department, instituting online services that save time and money for DEQ, citizens and industry and many other measures to increase efficiency and better serve the public.

"Through efficiency and conservative spending practices, funding for performance adjustments for this year is available," said DEQ Undersecretary Vince Sagnibene. "DEQ has worked diligently to make the department responsive to the needs of the public and protect human health and the environment, while cutting costs."

Civil Service rules authorize the award of a performance adjustment of four percent to qualified employees effective October 1 of each year. Employees who have performed in a satisfactory or exceptional manner for the year will be eligible.